

BEFORE THE
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Contract 37
(MC2014-42)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2014-75

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS ON
POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO
FIRST-CLASS PACKAGE SERVICE CONTRACT 37

(September 14, 2016)

I. INTRODUCTION

The Public Representative hereby provides comments pursuant to a notice initiating this docket.¹ In that Initiating Notice, the Commission reopens the above referenced docket to receive comments from interested persons, including the undersigned Public Representative, on a Postal Service notice to amend First-Class Package Service Contract 37.²

II. BACKGROUND

The Commission approved the original First-Class Package Service Contract 37 in Order No. 3021.³ The Postal Service states that the prices under the contract have “changed as contemplated by the contract’s terms.” *Notice* at 1. The amendment will become effective on September 11, 2016, or the day that the Commissions completes

¹ Notice Initiating Docket(s) for Recent Postal Service Negotiated Service Agreement Filings, September 9, 2016 (Initiating Notice).

² Notice of United States Postal Service of Amendment to First-Class Package Service Contract 37, September 8, 2016 (Notice).

³ Order Adding First-Class Package Service Contract 37 to the Competitive Product List, January 12, 2016 (Order No. 3021).

its review of this filing, whichever is later.” *Id.* To support the Notice, the Postal Service filed a redacted version of the financial documentation, and the amendment to the contract. *Notice* at 1.

III. COMMENTS

Requirements of 39 U.S.C. § 3633. Pursuant to section 3633(a), prices for competitive products must cover each product’s attributable costs, not result in subsidization of competitive products by market dominant products, and ensure that all competitive products collectively contribute an appropriate share of the institutional costs of the Postal Service.

The Public Representative has reviewed the financial worksheets filed, as well as all other documentation related to the original and amended First-Class Package Service Contract 37. Based upon that review, the Public Representative concludes that the requested amendment for First-Class Package Service Contract 37 will continue to satisfy the requirements of 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a). The Commission will also have an opportunity to review the revenue, cost and volume data for the amended First-Class Package Service Contract 37 in its future Annual Compliance Determination Reports.

The Public Representative respectfully submits the foregoing comments for the Commission’s consideration.

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